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SUBJECT: NATO DECLARATION

1. WHEN THE SUBJECT OF THE NATO DECLARATION CAME UP DURING MY CONVERSATION WITH POLITICAL DIRECTOR DAVIGNON TODAY, HE ADMITTED TO SOME DISSATISFACTION WITH THAT LANGUAGE PROPOSED BY THE FRENCH WHICH DIFFERENTIATES BETWEEN THE SECURITY INTERESTS OF WESTERN EUROPE AND NORTH AMERICA. HE THOUGHT THIS WAS A SMALL PRICE TO PAY, HOWEVER, FOR THE GENERAL SENSE OF INDIVISIBILITY WHICH THE FRENCH DRAFT AS A WHOLE
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CONVEYED, I.E., THE MAJOR THRUST OF THE DOCUMENT IS THAT

THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR COMMON DEFENSE. DAVIGNON
THOUGHT THAT THE FRENCH DRAFT ON THE WHILE MEETS US
REQUIREMENTS, AND HE SAID THAT IT SATISFIES
THE REQUIREMENTS OF BELGIUM AND OTHERS.

2. DAVIGNON SAID THAT THE DECLARATION COULD BE DISCUSSED
AMONG POLITICAL DIRECTORS AT NATO ON
FEBRUARY 28. HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE, HOWEVER,
TO LEAVE ANY ADDITIONAL EDITING TO SELECTED PERMANENT
REPRESENTATIVES (HE MENTIONED AMBASSADORS RUMSFELD, DE ROSE
AND DE STAERCKE). STRAUZ-HUPE

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